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1. ACCORDING TO GOI PRESS BULLETIN, PRIMIN RABIN IN CABINET MEETING MAY 18, IN REPLY TO QUESTION CONCERNING SHARM EL SHEIKH, CONFIRMED THE STATEMENT HE HAD MADE DURING HIS VISIT THERE APRIL 29-30 CONCERNING CONSTRUCTION OF 500 RESIDENTIAL UNITS BY APRIL 1977. THE MINISTER OF HOUSING, ACCORDING TO THE SAME PRESS BULLETIN, ANNOUNCED THAT HIS DEPARTMENT WOULD IMPLEMENT THIS BUILDING PROJECT.
2. RABIN'S STATEMENT WAS IN-TENDED TO CLARIFY POSSIBLE MIS-UNDERSTANDING IN CABINET AND CONFUSION IN PUBLIC MINDS AS TO WHAT IS GOVERNMENT POLICY ON SHARM EL SHEIKH AND HOW RAPIDLY IT WILL BE ACHIEVED.
3. IN RABIN VISIT TO SHARM EL SHEIKH APRIL 29-30, HE TOLD GROUP OF SETTLERS, INTER ALIA, ABOUT GOVERNMENT DECISION TO LAY WATER PIPELINE FROM AT-TUR (ON RED SEA COAST) TO SHARM EL SHEIKH AND PROMISED BY MID-1977 TO

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BUILD 500 APARTMENT UNITS IN SHARM EL SHEIKH, TO

CONSTRUCT A POWER STATION, AND TO ACCELERATE PACE OF DEVELOPMENT (FROM MAARIV, MAY 2; SEE REFTTEL FOR OTHER COMMENTS MADE DURING VISIT).

4. WHEN ASKED TO COMMENT ON RABIN'S REMARKS, HOUSING MINISTER OFER, ON MAY 10, REPORTEDLY SAID THAT HE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANY GOVERNMENT DECISION TO SET UP A TOWN IN SHARM EL SHEIKH, OR OF BUILDING ADDITIONAL HOUSING UNITS. ALL MONEY ALLOCATED FOR SHARM EL SHEIKH, ACCORDING TO OFER, HAS BEEN SPENT. HE SAW NO PLACE IN GENERAL ORDER OF PROIORITIES FOR TOO MUCH EMPHASIS ON SHARM EL SHEIKH, AND HE DOES NOT SUPPORT IDEA OF ESTABLISHING TOWN THERE. HOWEVER, HE DID CONCUR WITH NEED FOR ESTABLISHING MILITARY STRONGHOLD.

5. COMMENT: IF SERIOUS DIFFERENCES IN CABINET, PARTICULARLY BETWEEN OFER AND RABIN, DID EXIST ON DEVELOPMENT OF SHARM EL SHEIKH, RABIN'S STATEMENT CERTAINLY LAID DOWN THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY. WHILE PLANS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SHARM EL SHEIKH HAVE LONG EXISTED, RELATIVELY LITTLE DEVELOPMENT HAS TAKEN PLACE OVER PAST FEW YEARS, FOR EITHER OR BOTH BUDGETARY AND POLITICAL REASONS. IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO SEE IN PERIOD AHEAD IF NEW IMPETUS INDEED TAKES PLACE.
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